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**NOTICE OF
TENTATIVE APPROVAL**

**BEFORE THE BOARD
OF OIL, GAS AND MIN-
ING, DEPARTMENT
OF NATURAL RE-
SOURCES, STATE OF
UTAH**

**IN THE MATTER OF
TENTATIVE APPROVAL OF A REVI-
SION TO THE EXIST-
ING MINING & RE-
CLAMATION PLAN
SUBMITTED BY TEN-
NECO MINERALS
COMPANY - UTAH,
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COUNTY, UTAH**

**NOTICE OF INTENT
TO ISSUE TENTATIVE
APPROVAL
NO.M/053/005**

**THE STATE OF
UTAH TO ALL OPERA-
TORS, TAKERS OF
PRODUCTION, MIN-
ERAL AND ROYALTY
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CULARLY ALL PER-
SONS INTERESTED IN
SECTIONS 19, 20, AND
30, TOWNSHIP 39
SOUTH, RANGE 18
WEST, AND SECTION
25, TOWNSHIP 39
SOUTH, RANGE 19
WEST, SLBM,
WASHINGTON
COUNTY, UTAH**

Notice is hereby given by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of its intent to issue tentative approval to Tenneco Minerals Company - Utah (Tenneco) to revise their original approved Notice of Intention to Commence Mining Operations. The name of the mining operation is the Goldstrike Project. Revised mining activities will effect the following areas: SE/4 & S/2 - Section 19, N/2 - Section 20, and NW/4 - Section 30, Township 39 South, Range 18 West, and NE/4 - Section 25, Township 39 South, Range 19 West, SLBM, Washington County, Utah.

Tenneco has submitted a revised permit application to expand their existing mining operation to include the following changes: The addition of five new open pits (the Arsenic, Covington, Moosehead, Picaroon and Caribou). The total area disturbed by these 6 pits will be 60.4 acres. Additional proposed haul roads will add another 63.8 acres of disturbance. One new waste dump, the West Dump, will be constructed and disturb 12.9 acres. Other areas of modification include the addition of Leach Pad #3 (valley fill type) comprising 13.5 acres of new disturbance. Five main topsoil stockpiles will be established close to the new pits for final reclamation. The revision will add an additional 156.6 acres of surface disturbance, bringing the total permitted mine disturbance to 382 acres.

The person representing the company is Mr. Ken Kluksdahl, Mine Manager, P.O. Box 2650, St. George, Utah 84770, Phone (801)574-3164.

Tenneco is fulfilling obligations under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975 (Section 40-8, UCA, 1953, as amended) with specific reference to Section 40-8-18 and will employ the following mining and reclamation techniques on approximately 333 acres of federal and private land.

During Operations

Tenneco will mine 5

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new open pits (total of 139 for gold ore using typical open pit mining techniques. Run of mine ore will be crushed and removed to the leach pads for cyanide processing. The gold-bearing solutions are processed and recovered through a Carbon Absorption plant, electrowinning circuit, and a small gold smelter. Mining commenced in 1988 and is expected to conclude in mid-1995 (given current proven reserves).

Following Operations

1. The leach pads and ponds will be decommissioned, graded, topsoiled, and revegetated.
2. All buildings and process equipment will be removed. Concrete foundations will be demolished and buried.
3. All pits will be backfilled at least to the point of being free draining and then reclaimed.
4. Most of the remaining pit highwalls will be bermed and/or fenced to minimize public health and safety concerns. Pit access/haul roads will be reclaimed and bermed to restrict access.
5. The Quail Canyon fill dam will be left for livestock and wildlife watering. The sediment dam will be regraded/recontoured to be non-impounding.

6. The BLM will maintain a road through the mine site connecting Road No. 42529 with the

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County Road along East Fork of Beaver Dam Wash.

7. Of the 382 acres to be disturbed, approximately 48 acres (at 45 pits, and at 3 BLM road), will be left unreclaimed. The remaining disturbed areas will be graded, topsoiled and revegetated.

8. Post mine landuse will consist of livestock grazing and wildlife habitat.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this notice of intent to issue tentative approval is hereby requested to submit written protest within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 355 West North Temple, 3 Triad Center, Suite 350, Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203, setting forth factual reasons for his or her complaint, and thereafter, at a time and place to be established, appear before the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining to show cause, if any, why this mine plan revision should not be approved.

DATED THIS 14th day of July, 1992.

**STATE OF UTAH
DIVISION OF
OIL, GAS,
AND MINING**

**DIANNE R. NIELSON
Director**

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